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Applicant	: Rolf Castor, et al.	
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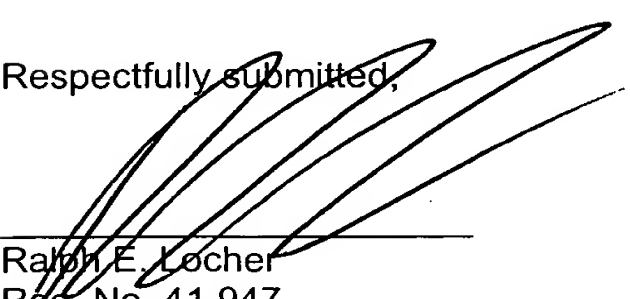
Commissioner for Patents,  
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Sir:

Please note that the German Priority document number 198 23 748.0 dated May 27, 1998 was filed on May 26, 1999 in the U.S Patent Office. Please find enclosed copies of the following:

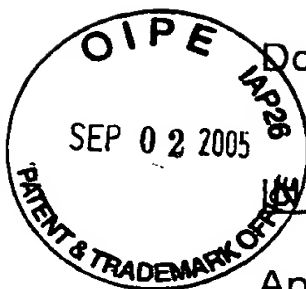
- 1) Claim for Priority
- 2) The cover page of priority document; and
- 3) The return postcard indicating receipt by the PTO.

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Title : Method And Apparatus For Plasma-Chemical Production Of  
Nitrogen Monoxide

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

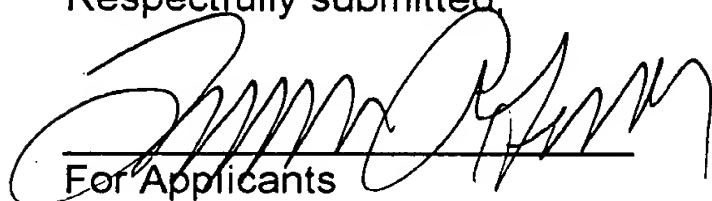
Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,  
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Sir:

Claim is hereby made for a right of priority under Title 35, U.S. Code, Section 119,  
based upon the German Patent Application No. 198 23 748.0, filed May 27, 1998.

A certified copy of the above-mentioned foreign patent application is being  
submitted herewith.

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## Bescheinigung

Die Siemens Aktiengesellschaft in München/Deutschland hat eine Patentanmeldung unter der Bezeichnung

"Verfahren und Vorrichtung zur plasmachemischen Erzeugung von Stickstoffmonoxid"

am 27. Mai 1998 beim Deutschen Patent- und Markenamt eingereicht.

Die angehefteten Stücke sind eine richtige und genaue Wiedergabe der ursprünglichen Unterlagen dieser Patentanmeldung.

Die Anmeldung hat im Deutschen Patent- und Markenamt vorläufig die Symbole C 01 B, B 01 J und A 61 M der Internationalen Patentklassifikation erhalten.

München, den 24. November 1998  
Deutsches Patent- und Markenamt

Der Präsident

Im Auftrag

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